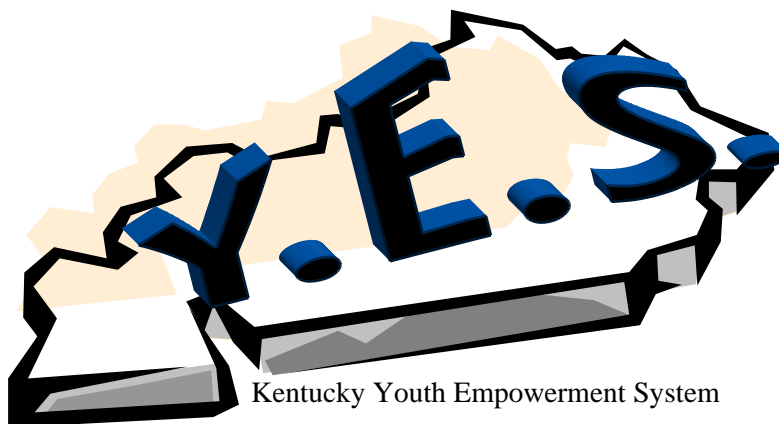


# **KY Youth Empowerment System Grant Final Progress Report Summary 2005-2006 Session**

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### **Region 3: River Valley Behavioral Health Regional Prevention Center**

#### Hancock County Champions and Hancock Dedicated Teens

Awarded: \$1,914.00

Goal 1: reduce the number of Hancock County youth using tobacco products.

Objective: Disseminate information and provide educational resources to area youth to discourage the use of tobacco products.

Activities: Sponsored Kick Butts Day HCMS April 12, 2006. Members of the group inflated 1,200 balloons to create a visual image of the number of people that die from smoking-related causes each day. The group also used public service announcements and displays with the toxic chemicals found in cigarette smoke and smokeless tobacco.

Objective: Encourage local businesses to go smoke free or to at least provide a smoke-free area.

Activities: Initiated a letter-writing campaign to the local newspaper and had a letter published that addressed the dangers of secondhand smoke. The letter encouraged local businesses to go smoke free. This letter campaign will continue in the Fall of 2006.

Goal 2: reduce the number of Hancock County youth using alcohol.

Objective: Disseminate information and provide educational resources to area youth to discourage the use of alcohol.

Activities: Helped sponsor a National Town Hall Meeting on March 28, 2006, concerning underage drinking in the county. Over 100 adults and youth attended the meeting. Dedicated Teens then helped sponsor another Town Hall Meeting on May 9, 2006. Over 30 youth and 20 adults attended to learn about developmental assets, alternative activities for youth, mentoring, and parent networking. The youth that attended offered input about what activities they want initiated in Hancock County as alternatives to underage drinking and drug use. Several summer activities were planned as a result of this meeting. Hancock County Dedicated Teens also sponsored the Hancock County After-Prom party of April 8, 2006. Over 150 students attended the drug and alcohol-free celebration.

Objective: Conduct research to find out the sources of underage drinking in the county.

Activities: After recent discussions with local law enforcement, the Dedicated Teens and Champions sponsors decided this objective was not feasible for our county as far as working with law enforcement. Our law enforcement representatives have a system in which they handle underage drinking and are not looking to change it. Our middle and high school groups have talked about the sources of the alcohol problem in our county and are trying to at least educate their peers about these dangers.

Goal 3: will join the community-wide effort to provide awareness information to the public concerning the growing problem with methamphetamine.

Objective: Provide an awareness presentation concerning methamphetamine to as many community members as possible.

Activities: The methamphetamine presentation has been given to two local churches, reaching about 100 county residents so far. Dedicated Teens and Champions are currently working together to present the slide show to all Hancock County Board of Education Personnel.

Objective: Several youth will study and be able to deliver the methamphetamine presentation to the community.

Activities: Sponsors currently have students working on giving presentations. Students have helped adults deliver presentations, but students have not delivered a presentation on their own as of yet.

Goal 4: send at least two youth and two adult sponsors to the Search Institute Training in Dallas, TX in November 2005.

Objective: Two youth will attend the Search Institute Training and relay information learned to other Hancock County youth after returning from the training.

Activities: Two Hancock County High School students and one adult attended the Search Institute Training in Dallas, Texas in November 2005. These students are working on a PowerPoint presentation to present to the community.

Objective: Youth will share information learned in order to generate ideas for implementation.

Activities: The two youth that attended the Search Conference will present to the Hancock County Partners for a Healthy Community – Healthy Youth organization at the January 2, 2006 meeting. Hancock County is scheduled to have the Search Institute training May 30 – June 1, 2006. Many community members will be introduced to the developmental assets and how to develop these assets in our youth.

#### Owensboro Catholic High S.C.R.U.B.S.

Awarded: \$654.00

Goal 1: to collaborate with the Tobacco Coalition to pursue an Ordinance for Smoke-free public buildings in Owensboro-Daviess County.

Objective: Use students at Owensboro Catholic involved with SCRUBS to educate the public through PSA's, posters, etc.

Activities: SCRUBS has continued to work with the Coalition on ways to improve the "Go Cold Turkey" campaign for next year. They have met with Becky Horn on how to include more schools next year in the campaign. The SCRUBS members have been working with County

Commissioners to ensure that the smoking ordinance is not repealed. SCRUBS members have also been educating at meetings about the importance of voting in the May primary to make sure the smoke-free ordinance is not repealed. SCRUBS did an awareness campaign as part of Kick Butts Day at the local middle school in April. They are also working with the school to ensure the new football stadium that is being built will be smoke-free in the fall.

#### OHS Champions Against Drugs and Alcohol

Awarded: \$1,859.00

Goal 1: to build and energize the students organization at OHS

Objective: Enlist a proactive sponsor.

Activities: The teacher who agreed to sponsor the club was totally ineffective second semester. Membership dwindled to just a handful and the Champion group only met sporadically. No activities implemented.

Objective: To provide interesting, fun, and informational activities intended to increase membership.

Activities: None implemented.

Goal 2: to inform and educate students and parents

Objective: Plan, advertise, and implement activities.

Activities: Only activity implemented this semester was in regards to Kick Butts Day. Students made posters, distributed give-away and educational materials during lunch shifts the Friday before Spring Break

Objective: Advertise, plan, and promote activities that would involve parents.

Activities: None implemented.

Goal 3: to become part of a community-wide effort

Objective: Participate in various community activities.

Activities: No participation.

Objective: Cooperate with other high school groups to provide community activities.

Activities: No participation.

## **Region 5: Communicare Regional Prevention Center**

### LaRue County Champions Club

Awarded: \$1,914.00

Goal 1: To educate and reduce use of drugs/alcohol in our middle school aged youth and provide them with needed skills for a drug/alcohol free future.

Objective: Champion members received training to implement drug/alcohol curriculum geared toward middle school students and facilitate mini TLC workshops.

Activities: LCHS Champions attended Training on Feb. 23, 2006. This training was to prepare LCHS student presenters for their workshop topics and activities for the middle school Mini-TLC. LCHS Champions spoke with every middle school homeroom classes about mini-TLC.

Unfortunately, middle students did not show much interest.

### PATH Coalition's YIA

Awarded: \$1,694.00

Goal 1: To reduce youth access to alcohol by implementing a social host ordinance.

Objective: By 02/06 the YIA will collect data on social hosting.

Activities: Adults are being surveyed for their views regarding underage drinking and acceptance of social host ordinance. Surveys were obtained at an awards banquet and at the town hall meeting. About 200 have been obtained, to date.

Objective: By 05/06 the YIA will make a presentation to the City Council requesting the passing of a social host ordinance.

Activities: Determined that this deadline was not realistic, however we are working on a social norming campaign and Operation Storefront. We have had several meetings with the youth groups at the 3 high schools and each has developed their message. Printing of those is taking place and they will begin to appear in the newspaper in May. Also, had a training with students from Meade County's social ordinance team for our students. Three from Bardstown attended. In addition we had a town hall meeting on April 11 and introduced our intentions to work towards a social host ordinance. The County Attorney was interested in our project and asked for information.

### Cloverport Independent High School YES Group

Awarded: \$1,364.00

Goal 1: The Social Host Ordinance is a continuation of the goal for 2004-2005: to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors in Breckinridge County.

Objective: By November of 2005, teens will conduct a Social Host Presentation for our local city council.

Activities: Cloverport's group did not get to present our program for our local city council due to scheduling problems and because we were able to present to Fiscal Court so early in the school year. We met with the BCHS Teens Against Underage Drinking numerous times to rehearse our presentation and assigned parts to prepare for the Fiscal Court group presentation in September.

Objective: By December of 2005, both YES groups will present the final draft of the Breckinridge County Social Host Ordinance to Fiscal Court.

Activities: On September 7, Cloverport and BCHS students with speaking parts in the Fiscal Court presentation practiced as a group. On September 12, we presented our power point program for the Breckinridge County Fiscal Court and asked the court to allow us to help them sponsor a Social Host Ordinance for our county. On September 19, we wrote and mailed thank you letters for all of the magistrates and other members of Fiscal Court. We worked with BCHS T.A.U.D., the county attorney, and sheriff to draft and revise our Breckinridge County Social Host Ordinance. On October 24, we attended the BC Fiscal Court meeting to hear the first reading of our ordinance. It passed unanimously. On November 14, we attended the second reading of the ordinance and it passed unanimously again. After it is published in the local newspaper it will become law after 30 days. On December 7, there was a reception/celebration to honor the Breckinridge County Teens Against Underage Drinking at the Extension Office in Hardinsburg. On March 23, we hosted a Police Training and meal at the Cloverport Board of Education. Cloverport and Breckinridge teens provided the ordinance training/presentation for members of the Sheriff's Department and Cloverport and Hardinsburg Police.

#### Breckinridge County High School YES Group

Awarded: \$1,364.00

Goal 1: The Social Host Ordinance is a continuation of the goal for 2004-2005: to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors in Breckinridge County.

Objective: By November of 2005 teens will conduct a Social Host Ordinance Presentation for our local Rotary and Board of Education.

Activities: We have developed a Power Point Presentation; studied and rehearsed it to make sure we know the material and can answer questions as they related to the ordinance. We have presented to local groups including Breckinridge County Chamber of Commerce and Communicare Board of Directors.

Objective: By December of 2005, Breckinridge County Y.E.S. groups will present the final draft of the Breckinridge County Social Host Ordinance to Fiscal Court.

Activities: On September 12, 2005, we presented the survey results to our Fiscal Court and requested they consider drafting and passing a local "Social Host Ordinance". We met with County Attorney Bruce Butler and

Sheriff Todd Pate on several occasions to work on the ordinance. On October 24 we witnessed the first reading of the ordinance in Fiscal Court. The ordinance passed the first vote unanimously. On November 14, we witnessed the second reading and final vote on said ordinance. Once again it passed unanimously. After this reading and vote it will be published and after thirty (30) days it will become law. On December 7 we hosted a reception to honor the Breckinridge County Teens Against Underage Drinking. On March 23 we hosted a training for all local/county police departments to increase their understanding of the "Social Host Ordinance".

#### Meade County YES Group

Awarded: \$2,244.00

Goal 1: The Social Host Ordinance project is a continuation project of the goal for the 2004-2005: to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors in Meade County.

Objective: By December 30, 2005, teens will make a final Social Host Ordinance Presentation to Fiscal Court.

Activities: On January 20, 2006, the proposed ordinance had its second reading and was approved unanimously. It is officially passed. On January 11, 2006, the task force reported to Youth In Charge Club of 200 students that the proposed ordinance had passed. On January 18, 2006, an article was written by one of the task force members and submitted with pictures to the local newspaper describing step by step the process of making this ordinance a reality. On January 24, 2006, the task force reported to MC Champions that the proposed ordinance had passed. On March 10, 2006, the task force discussed the ordinance at the annual Teen Leadership Conference with approximately 100 eight graders and their parents attending. On April 13, 2006, the task force met and discussed the enforcement of the social host ordinance. It was reported by a sheriff's deputy that the first fine for breaking the ordinance law has been made. Details were sketchy.

Goal 2: To promote community awareness of the problem of local underage drinking.

Objective: By November 7, 2005, students will design a logo for customer bags and distribute them to participating stores involved in alcoholic beverage sales.

The bags will promote anti-alcoholic beverage sales to minors.

Activities: On January 11, 2006, the task force reported to Youth In Charge Club of 200 students the plan to deliver the brown bags. On January 17, 2006, the task force met at the high school and delivered bags to seven liquor stores in Meade County. On January 24, 2006, the task force reported to MC Champions the plan to deliver the brown bags. On March 10, 2006, the task force presented their progress to 100 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents during the annual Teen Leadership Conference. On March 14, 2006, the task force met and delivered bags to either liquor stores (we added one more). On April 13, 2006, the task force met,

discussed the progress and comments from liquor store owners and delivered bags to eight liquor stores. We plan to make at least one more delivery of the bags.

#### New Wave Prevention Club

Awarded: \$1,749.00

Goal 1: Member recruitment and club development.

Objective: To increase prevention club size by 50%.

Activities: The Talent Show was conducted with 8 acts and approximately 100 spectators on 20 January 06. A table manned by prevention club members displayed prevention literature. One of the club members performed as the Master of Ceremonies and endorsed the club during intermission, pointed out the literature on the nearby table and highlighted the past club accomplishments and future plans.

Objective: Endorse six drug free activities/events.

Activities: *Members will model positive behavior and will distribute 200 wristbands to promote a drug free lifestyle.* The talent show was conducted on 20 January, on 12 January a group read and discussed tobacco use with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders as SAS and on March 17<sup>th</sup> at the lock-in workshops were conducted. The wristbands will be distributed at the MS Splash Bash at the water park on 1 June.

#### Central Hardin Bruins

Awarded: \$1,595.00

Goal 1: To decrease the use of smokeless tobacco among current students of Central Hardin High School.

Objective: By May 2006, The Bruins Against Drugs (BAD) members will present an anti-smokeless tobacco usage campaign to 75% of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade students at CHHS.

Activities: All visual materials have been ordered. Printed materials for BAD members to use to create presentations have been ordered. BAD members have been recruited and placed in teams of 4 to make presentations. Presentations were made in the health classes on 12/13/05, 2/24/06, 3/3/06, for a total of 444 students participating in the presentations.

Objective: By May 2006, the BAD members will present an anti-smokeless tobacco campaign to all students at CHHS.

Activities: The Bruins Against Drugs set up in the commons area of the school on December 14, 2005 during lunch to present info and handouts to all students interested. 125 brochures were distributed to students. 75 pledge cards were signed by students promising not to use smokeless tobacco products.

## **Region 6: Seven Counties Services Regional Prevention Center**

### Portland Now Prevention

Awarded: \$1,078.00  
No final report submitted!

### Spenser County CAN

Awarded: \$1,577.00  
No final report submitted!

### Presentation Academy

Awarded: \$1,034.00  
No final report submitted!

### Assumption High School

Awarded: \$1,034.00  
No final report submitted!

### Trinity High School

Awarded: \$1,034.00  
No final report submitted!

### Mercy Academy

Awarded: \$1,034.00  
No final report submitted!

### Saint Xavier High School

Awarded: \$1,342.00  
No final report submitted!

### Challengers of Oldham County

Awarded: \$1,529.00  
No final report submitted!

## **Region 7: North Key Regional Prevention Center**

### St. Henry District High School

Awarded: \$1,100.00

Goal 1: To increase anti-drug awareness, personalized posters will be placed in St. Henry District High School with a photo of clubs, sports teams, and faculty with an “anti-drug” slogan or message on the poster.

Objective: By September 30, 2005, SADD/PRIDE Team will work in collaboration with the St. Henry District High School Student Council to produce photographs of the youth groups, sports teams, and faculty to be used for “Crusaders Against Drugs” as well as educational posters.

Activities: SADD/PRIDE Leadership team worked closely with Student Council to encourage all youth groups, sports teams, and faculty to submit a “Crusaders Against Drugs” message from their group. Thirty entries were received.

Objective: By October 30, 2005, “Crusaders Against Drugs” posters will be placed in St. Henry District High School hallways and gymnasium to be on display for sports events where schools from surrounding areas will be visiting.

Activities: It was decided to display all entries in the school cafeteria in order for the student body, faculty, and staff to vote for winning entries during lunch time. All of the entries submitted were creative and fun! Dum-dums were offered for incentives to encourage everyone to vote for the best entries. Winning positions were: 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and two Honorable Mentions. The submission by Mrs. Donnellan’s Christian Living Community (CLC) received 1<sup>st</sup> place.

It was refreshing to see so many creative and fun ideas projecting a powerful message against drugs. During this project our community came together as a “family” focusing on a positive message for our community, as well as surrounding communities, against drugs. We were fortunate to have LAMAR Company – Cincinnati donate a billboard for display of the winning entry. The fee was more than the grant, however, the General Manager, liked our idea and donated the billboard for the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner to be displayed December 15-January 15, 2006 on the corner of Madison Avenue and 12<sup>th</sup> Street in Covington, KY. Another bonus of our community coming together to support a message against drugs. The winning entries were then submitted to our printer to be made into posters to be displayed in our school as well as surrounding areas. An article was submitted to our school newsletter, The “Crusader Clipping”, which is mailed to parents of our students, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents as well. Channel 12 News was notified and a press release submitted for the unveiling of the billboard on December 15, 2005.

### Pendleton County Student Council

Awarded: \$252.14

Goal 1: To promote awareness about the negative effects of alcohol, marijuana, and alcohol among our high school students. It is our hope that through educating our students, they will be less likely to use/abuse substances.

Objective: Over the five days of Red Ribbon Week, we will educate students/faculty about the damaging effects of using drugs through informational announcements, student generated posters, and flyers.

Activities: Daily announcements given by students council president regarding history of Red Ribbon Week, and drug use facts. Mrs. White's Advanced Computer Application classes generated informational flyers and posters from local Pendleton County drug use data for current high school students.

Objective: As a tangible reminder, we will provide each student and faculty member with a "Proud to Be Drug Free" bracelet and pledge card that promotes a drug-free lifestyle.

Activities: Students and faculty were provided with bracelets on Monday morning and pledge cards were distributed Thursday morning for signing.

Objective: Each classroom will receive a permanent set of "Tips for Teens" pamphlets on Tobacco, Alcohol, and Marijuana to be displayed for student access.

Activities: Pamphlets were just received the week of December 12, 2005. All three topics were ordered where each classroom will receive 15 of each placed in a red folder on the wall near the entrance to the classroom.

Objective: All students at Pendleton County High School will be asked to participate in a drug prevention poster contest and canned food drive as a homeroom.

Activities: All homerooms were provided with poster board and materials the week prior to Red Ribbon Week starting. Students were provided with a list of rules: 1) no profanity, 2) use of a drug-free slogan, 3) had to use materials provided, and 4) use of color. Posters were hung on classroom doors the Friday of the week for judging by a panel of teacher and student volunteers. The classroom with the winning poster received an ice cream party and that poster will be featured on a billboard in the community in May 2006 for a reminder during prom season and graduation activities. All posters were saved to be laminated for use in next year's Red Ribbon Week festivities. Due to Hurricane Katrina relief efforts within the school the council decided to postpone the can drive until a later date.

#### Kenton County PRIDE

Awarded: \$517.00

Goal 1: To increase student involvement in the Kenton County PRIDE group in order to convey accurate and effective prevention programming/strategies to the local schools and the community.

Objective: To recruit new PRIDE members and to maintain current membership.

Activities: The Kenton County PRIDE Youth Team has worked hard to recruit new members and maintain group membership. Current members as well as new members attended a large Kenton County PRIDE meeting held on January 9<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup>, and March 8<sup>th</sup> 2006. Each event was well attended.

Objective: To prepare to present workshops and skits at local prevention conferences and to submit a workshop to the national PRIDE Youth Conference in April 2006 in Washington, D.C.

Activities: Due to lack of youth interest and scheduling conflicts, the Kenton County PRIDE Youth Team was unable to present workshops at the Spring 2006 Tobacco Youth Conference. Workshops have been created and the conference was well advertised, but unfortunately it had to be cancelled. As a result of the cancellation, the Kenton County PRIDE Youth Team was unable to spend all of the money from the YES mini-grant.

Objective: Create prevention messages to display at local retail-gathering places.

Activities: A prevention poster was displayed as a billboard on Route 27 in Pendleton County during the months of April and May. The billboard was located across from Pendleton County High School during prom and graduation.

#### Frank Duveneck Art and Cultural Center

Awarded: \$2,178.00

Goal 1: To educate the community about substance abuse, community resources, and promote community activism by highlighting individuals working as positive agents for change in Covington.

Objective: Duveneck Center Art Spark Program students, SMART KIDS, would produce a monthly newspaper.

Activities: Duveneck students completed three newspapers, called Kuumba, between October and May. Due to the transient nature of the neighborhood, the group of students working on Kuumba varied from week to week. Several students who appeared to be strong writers in the beginning of the school year moved shortly after the project began. And the majority of the students who worked on the project were age 8-11. They needed to learn how to research and their writing skills were not strong – most were below grade level in reading and writing. A great deal of time was spent discussing critical fundamentals of writing, and these students required a lot of coaxing to stay on task. Still, they did feel some accomplishment when they finished an essay, but a great deal of their work was not appropriate for the newsletter. The neighboring lodge donated some old computers to the Duveneck Center, two of which were suitable for word processing. This increased our computer terminals available to

youth from one to three, and some of the youth enjoyed typing in their essays, and still come considered it a great chore. As this project ended, new youth had just begun attending the Breakfast Club, and they want to continue the project. We are seeking new funding to continue the newsletter, and it is hoped that this project will dovetail with our developing video news program.

Objective: Students would meet twice monthly to determine content of each issue, review community submissions, and distribute writing assignments, and learn about newspaper layout technique.

Activities: In order to motivate the students, it proved necessary to provide incentive. Due to their poor writing skills, it worked better to have them meet every Saturday morning from 10-11 to work on Kuumba. The hook was breakfast, so it was called the Breakfast Club, and they liked the idea of having hot chocolate, juice, fruit and pastries while meeting and discussing ideas and technique. Creative Writing class immediately followed the Breakfast Club at 11, so students would get more encouragement and practice writing in that class. It seemed a natural fit to have the Breakfast Club and Creative Writing class back to back, because once they came for the Breakfast Club they were more likely to participate in the Creative Writing class.

Objective: Students will learn about preparing mailings and distribution.

Activities: What a hit! Most of the youth considered it a lot of fun to prepare newsletters for mailing, putting the tabs and labels on folded newsletters, and they learned how to sort for bulk mailing at the Post Office. The youth also enjoyed taking the newsletters to local churches, the library, schools, and other locations for distribution.

## **Region 8: Comprehend, Inc. Regional Prevention Center**

### St. Patrick School

Awarded: \$984.50

Goal 1: By October 2005, the Teen Leadership Club will have organized and prepared for Red Ribbon Week, which will involve the entire student body of Saint Patrick School, grades Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The focus of the strategy throughout the week will be Alcohol Prevention, with an emphasis on new research, which shows that alcohol is more dangerous for children and teen-agers than adults. The group will hold three meetings in order to plan the activities, and will be trained in how to present the information and lead the activities for the student body in creative and meaningful ways. The outcome will be for all students in the school to interact in fun and educational activities to stress the dangers of alcohol for young people, and for them to have information to share with their families.

Objective: The group will choose materials that will most effectively set the mood for excitement among the school and will allow all students to be involved in games, written activities, skits, etc. Each student in the school will do written activities to check their understanding of the information given. The high school group will interact with all students throughout the week. A half-day activity period will be held for the elementary school, and another for the middle and high school, where the whole-group activities will take place. The individual classes will also do follow-up written activities. Students will be given the opportunity to pledge not to drink until adulthood.

Activities: The Teen Leadership Club met as planned and implemented daily activities and assemblies for Red Ribbon Week. The nineteen 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders made and distributed posters, decorated the school with posters and banners, visited each grade level for five days to talk with the classes about their decision to remain drug and alcohol free, and organized active, upbeat assemblies for the various grade levels. The high school assembly included a guest speaker, who spoke of her experiences with drug and alcohol dependent clients throughout her career as a therapist. The elementary school was visited by Mr. Ciggy – the costume was borrowed from Simons Middle School in Flemingsburg.

Objective: The group will research, with the help of the Regional Prevention Center, the research that states how dangerous alcohol is for young people. Each day, facts will be given over the intercom and in written form to the students by the high school group. At the end of each day and at the end of the week, quizzes and drawings will take place, and prizes will be given to the winners. The group feels strongly that by offering these prizes, students will be better motivated to listen and learn.

Activities: During Red Ribbon Week, the students researched alcohol abuse on the internet, and presented their findings by announcing facts on the intercom, sharing written information with the teachers, providing activity pages for class work and homework, and giving a facts quiz each day. Three students were given prizes (related to the theme) each day.

Goal 2: The group will develop a pamphlet about the dangers of alcohol for young people. This pamphlet will realistically not be ready for Red Ribbon Week; we will distribute this pamphlet by December 1. The pamphlet will be distributed to every student at Saint Patrick School, within the directions for the students to take them home to be signed.

Objective: The group will do independent research about the dangers of alcohol, and will work with the Regional Prevention Center to gather information. Then they will write up the information, create the format and graphics, and get them published. The challenge will be to create a pamphlet that appeals to both older and younger students – perhaps two different versions will have to be created.

Activities: The students have begun research, but the pamphlet is behind schedule. Because of the intense planning time for Red Ribbon Week, followed by basketball and many November activities, we decided to postpone the pamphlet to early next semester. We have set February 14 as the new deadline. We will need to purchase some paper for the project.

Objective: The students will present the pamphlets to each Saint Patrick student, encouraging them to read them and get them signed at home. Door prizes will be given during a drawing after the forms are returned. The group wants to give door prizes in order to encourage the students to take them home, in order to facilitate discussion between the students and the parents.

Activities: Based upon the positive feedback from teachers and parents during Red Ribbon Week, we plan to work with the parent support group by presenting the pamphlets at one of their meetings. The students will present a skit and will lead a discussion about the information in the pamphlets. Although we did not meet our timeline objective, we feel that the pamphlet's timing will be a great way to begin the semester, and its message will remind students of the facts presented during Red Ribbon Week.

#### Deming High School Champions Club

Awarded: \$847.00

Goal 1: By December 15<sup>th</sup> to increase awareness of dangers of marijuana and alcohol use among high school students at Deming High School

Objective: By November 10<sup>th</sup>, Champions members will research dangers of marijuana and alcohol use and develop presentations to give to other students.

Activities: Research was completed by Champions members at after-school functions and supervised by Champions advisor. Members have not yet given presentations.

Objective: By December 10<sup>th</sup>, Champions members will present findings of dangers of marijuana and alcohol use to other high school students at an assembly. We will ask questions of students at the end of the assembly to see if

they remember what the dangers are, and we will give a small token prize to those who have the correct answer.

Activities: The Deming Champions club has not had the opportunity to meet. Research has been completed and the presentation will be done next semester. *(Note: no progress has been made towards this objective.)*

Goal 2: Using social norming strategies (based on the 2003-2004 Drug and Alcohol Survey), a banner will be developed and displayed in the Deming School gym, showing that the majority of Deming High School students do not use alcohol or marijuana.

Objective: By November 15<sup>th</sup>, Champions members will develop ideas for a social norms banner, showing that 66% of 10<sup>th</sup> graders and 62% of 12<sup>th</sup> graders do not drink; and 75% of 10<sup>th</sup> graders and 69% of 12<sup>th</sup> graders do not use marijuana.

Activities: We were unable to develop the banner. Members have been notified of this project and we plan to create the banner next semester. *(Note: no progress has been made towards this objective.)*

Objective: By December 10<sup>th</sup>, the banner will be completed by a graphic artist, and it will be hung when Champions members made their presentations to other high school students at an assembly.

Activities: Again, the banner has not yet been developed but our goal is to complete this project by April of 2006. *(Note: no progress has been made towards this objective.)*

### Fleming County High School

Awarded: \$1,259.50

Goal 1: By November of 2005, FCHS Champions Against Drugs will offer awareness campaigns to increase the negative perception of tobacco and alcohol use.

Objective: By November 2005, FCHS Champions Against Drugs members will conduct a tailgate party at a home football game to distribute literature about the dangers of alcohol and tobacco to 100 students. They will also facilitate awareness prevention games and PSA announcements during the ballgame to increase the awareness of the dangers of both tobacco and alcohol.

Activities: The Champions Against Drugs hosted a tailgate party at the October 21 2005 football game. 107 students stopped by the booth and signed pledges to be drug free. Literature was provided to all students who signed pledges. Numerous games were played and prizes awarded during the evening. Three public service announcements were read by Champions members about the dangers of drug and alcohol were heard throughout the game. At this game, over 500 people of all ages were present and listened to the announcements made during the game.

Objective: By November 2005, FCHS Champions Against Drugs members will host a Plant the Promise Week to reinforce the Say No to Drugs message. One hundred red tulip bulbs will be planted and bloom in the spring to serve as a reminder of the pledge to stay drug free.

Activities: Champions Against Drugs members planted 100 tulip bulbs on October 31, 2005 outside the high school gymnasium leading up to the entering doors of the school. Members designed a plant stick with their name pledging to be drug free. A spring club meeting is planned outside when the bulbs are in bloom to serve as a reminder about the drug free message. The bulbs are expected to be in bloom around the time of the high school prom and couples enter the school on the walkway where the bulbs were planted.

#### Simons Middle School

Awarded: \$1,259.50

Goal 1: By December 2005, SMS Champions Against Drugs will offer awareness campaigns to increase the negative perceptions of tobacco and alcohol use.

Objective: By December 2005, SMS Champions Against Drugs members will visit four elementary schools to provide educational skits and activities regarding the risk of tobacco and alcohol use.

Activities: The Champions Against Drugs Club formed a skit committee, which stayed after school to learn how to utilize the purchased puppet show materials and costumes. To date, students have visited two of the four elementary schools. The target group was changed from 5<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> grade after reviewing the purchased materials. Due to inclement weather, the two remaining elementary schools were unable to be visited, however, plans have been made to visit the remaining two schools after the first of the year. Both students and teachers have been receptive of the program, and Champions members are thrilled to be working with the younger students conducting the puppet show.

Objective: By November 2005, SMS Champions Against Drugs members will host a Plant the Promise week to reinforce the Say No to Drugs message. One hundred bulbs will be planted during Red Ribbon Week and bloom in the spring to serve as a reminder to stay Drug Free.

Activities: Champions Against Drugs members planted 100 tulip bulbs on November 11, 2005 outside the Simmons Middle School gymnasium. Members designed a plant stick with their name pledging to be drug free. A spring club meeting is planned outside when the bulbs are in bloom to serve as a reminder about the drug free message.

## **Region 10: Alert Regional Prevention Center**

### Bath County Middle Youth Advisory Board

Awarded: \$1,111.00

Goal 1: By May 12, 2006, the Bath County Middle School Youth Advisory Board will increase the awareness of the dangers of smokeless tobacco will be available to students, faculty, and staff of Bath County Middle School.

Objective: BCMS students will participate in “Kick Butts Day” on April 5, 2006. Information on tobacco and smokeless tobacco will be available to students and faculty. Informational handouts, posters and facts will be provided to all BCMS students, staff and faculty.

Activities: Youth Advisory Board met and planned the activity “Tootsie Roll Chew” with the movie “Tragic Choice: The Bob Leslie Story” for March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. As the students watch the movie they were instructed to put the Tootsie Roll in their mouth and chew it until it softens and then hold it in their cheek for the remainder of the movie. The Youth Advisory Board told the group that they should not swallow their saliva, but spit it into the cup that was provided. This activity plus the movie gave the students insight on the potential hazards and health risk of trying spit tobacco. April activities for Kick Butts Day took place later due to students gearing up for CATS testing. The YAB planned two activities for the month of April. On April 25<sup>th</sup> students came down during their science class and participated in activities related to tobacco use. Students were able to pick activities from the list of twelve. The YAB and community partners presented the activities and students were able to interact during the activities. Here are some of the activities: Mr. Gross Mouth, Betcha Can’t Eat One, Oreo, Clever Catch, and Bacco Game. The next day as a follow up to the previous day activities, Georgetown College basketball coach, Eric Hager, spoke to the students about spit tobacco and the effects it can have on ones life. 475 students participated in the programs.

Objective: Information by posters, handouts and fact sheets will be available to students, faculty, and staff prior to April 5, 2006.

Activities: Information on the effects of tobacco products were made available to students, faculty and staff during school tobacco programs. 475 tobacco fact pop-up activity sheets were passed out to students.

### East Carter County Champions

Awarded: \$1,639.00

Goal 1: Increasing awareness of effects of tobacco to restaurant owners in the Grayson area.

Objective: Contacting and meeting with 8 restaurant owners in Grayson area about dangers of tobacco.

Activities: This activity was to take place in February and March but was delayed due to situations at school and within the YAB. Most materials are ready and will be used when students return to school in August.

Objective: YAB will provide signs and pamphlets and encourage restaurants to be smoke free.

Activities: During the Great American Smoke Out, posters were distributed throughout the community, including restaurants, about the dangers of tobacco use and also dangers related to second-hand smoke.

Goal 2: Increase awareness on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Objective:

Activity: On February 14, YAB hosted a table in the cafeteria asking students to pledge to be drug free. Also, YAB created a pledge wall on February 14 to help increase awareness, displaying the pledges which were signed by students. The wall was very visible and seemed to make an impact on students.

Goal: YAB members will receive training on how to advocate for tobacco issues.

Objective:

Activity: Members of the YAB attended the Youth Tobacco Conference in April. Those students shared with other YAB members when they returned from the training.

#### Rowan County Champions YAB

Awarded: \$1,914.00

Goal 1: By December 20, 2005, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will educate the students, faculty and citizens on Rowan County on the risks of tobacco use.

Objective: By December 20, 2005, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will participate in the Great American Smoke Out by putting signs and information in the local restaurants promoting smoke-free environments.

Activity: This event was reported on the winter progress report.

Objective: By April 30, 2005, The Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will attend and participate in the Regional Youth Tobacco Conference.

Activity: Members were informed on H.O.T. Youth Tobacco Conference activities during the January meeting. Thirteen members attended the second annual H.O.T. Youth Tobacco Conference on Thursday, March 2, 2006. The agenda for the day included workshops on tobacco and advocacy, video production targeting policy change to legislators and /or school superintendents, the day wrapped with a press conference. Club Secretary, Stella Dacci led the press conference.

Objective: By April 30, 2006, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will assist the Rowan Clean Indoor Air Initiative disseminate results of the public opinion surveys to the public and city officials.

Activity: Members had four ads placed in the Morehead News to create awareness on the negative effects of second-hand smoke. Ads also affirmed the benefits of clean indoor air. Postcards with similar messages were printed and mailed to all Morehead businesses and city officials. Members showed their support for Smoke-Free Morehead by attending the first reading of the ordinance at the city commissioner's meeting on May 8, 2006. Members purchased sticky pads with "smoke-Free Morehead: Protect our Community, Protect our Future" printed on them and visited Morehead restaurants leaving messages and note pads behind.

Goal 2: By December 20, 2005, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will educate the students and faculty of Rowan County High School on the risks of alcohol, tobacco, and drug use.

Objective: By November 5, 2005, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will participate in Red Ribbon Week activities by providing red ribbons and written information to the students and faculty of Rowan County High School.

Activity: The activity was reported on the winter progress report.

Objective: By February 28, 2006, the Rowan County Champions Youth Advisory Board will participate in Save-A-Sweetheart by placing a table in the cafeteria for students to pledge to be alcohol, tobacco, and other drug free, and provide written information on the risks of alcohol, tobacco and drug use to the students and faculty of Rowan County.

Activities: Members decided to set up the Save-A-Sweetheart pledge table (outside the cafeteria) prior to the Sweetheart Dance. Students signed a pledge to "save-a-sweetheart, save-a-friends, and/or save-themselves" from drugs on February 3, 2006. One hundred twenty one pledges were signed. Members also created and hung drug-free and Save-A-Sweetheart posters on February 2, 2006.

#### Bath County Champions YAB

Awarded: \$814.00

Goal 1: The Bath County Champions Youth Advisory Board will increase awareness of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.

Objective: By February 14, 2006, the Bath County Youth Advisory Board will host a table in the cafeteria asking students to pledge to be drug free for Valentine's Day.

Activity: On February 10, 2006, the Bath County Youth Advisory Board set up a table to encourage students to "Save-A-Sweetheart, Save-A-Friend, and/or Save-Themselves" from alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs

by signing pledge cards. Members supported 121 of their peers to make the pledge to be drug, alcohol, and tobacco free.

Objective: By February 14, 2006, the Bath County Youth Advisory Board will create a pledge wall to help increase awareness.

Activities: The Bath County Youth Advisory Board hung 355 signed heart shaped pledge cards in the cafeteria to create awareness of the number of students who are dedicated to staying drug free.

Goal 2: The Bath Count Champions Youth Advisory Board will receive training on how to advocate for tobacco issues.

Objective: Twenty-five percent on the Bath County Champions Youth Advisory Board will attend the Youth Tobacco Conference by April 2006.

Activities: Members were informed of the H.O.T. Youth Tobacco Conference activities during two meetings (January 27 and February 24, 2006). Eleven members (100%) attended the second annual H.O.T. Youth Tobacco Conference on Thursday, March 2, 2006. The agenda for the day included workshops on tobacco and advocacy, video production targeting policy change to legislators and/or school superintendents, and the day wrapped with a press conference. Member Julia Hutchinson represented Bath County during the press conference.

Objective: By May 2006, attendees of the Youth Tobacco Conference will train other members of the Youth Advisory Board who were unable to attend.

Activities: All members were able to attend the conference; therefore, training was not necessary.

Goal 3: Bring awareness to students at Bath County Senior High School on the effects of impaired driving.

Objective: By December 2005, Bath County Senior High School students will compete in a poster contest about Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention.

Objective: By December 2005, host a table during lunch at Bath County Senior High School to display poster winners and allow students to experience looking through vision impaired goggles.

Activities: Given the short month prior to Christmas Break and the amount of time spent organizing the Great American Smoke Out, students were unable to organize this project in the timeline given. These funds were used for a Kick Butts Day event. Remaining funds were given to a local paper and printer for next year's activities.

#### Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA)

Awarded: \$1,221.00

Goal 1: Raise awareness to teenagers and youth that Ashland is going smoke-free, and to raise local support from teenagers and youth for the movement.

Objective: Record a television commercial with meaningful information about Smoke-Free Ashland using local teens in leadership positions.

Activities: The smoke-free commercial was produced on November 17, 2005 and reported on the winter progress report.

Objective: Hold monthly meeting with the leadership team (of teenagers) and converse in how e can make a difference via positive peer pressure, attitudes, and our mannerisms with others in regards to a smoke-free life.

Activities: Monthly meetings were not held. Monthly meeting expenses were used to expand activities for smoke-free Teen Nights. "When the Smoke Clears" Teen Night was held March 17, 2006. A spokesperson from the Health Department came to the event and presented on the dangers of smoking and how smoking affects our community. The event concluded with 3x3 basketball, Play station 2 March Madness and Dance Dance Revolution contests. A similar event will be held May 27, 2006 with an emphasis on creating awareness on the Smoke-Free Ashland initiative.

#### Montgomery County Champions

Awarded: \$1,584.00

Goal 1: Receive advanced training on youth advocacy around tobacco.

Objective: By December 2005, the Montgomery County Youth Advisory Board will attend and participate in the Regional Youth Tobacco Conference.

Activities: Members were unable to secure a school sponsor to go to the conference; therefore, they were unable to attend. These funds were used in a Number Campaign for Kick Butts Day.

Objective: By January 2006, Montgomery Youth Advisory Board will become part of the state's new youth tobacco movement, Help Overcome Tobacco (H.O.T.).

Activities: This movement is still in the beginning states; however, Montgomery YAB members are planning to organize a H.O.T. Shots group as soon as possible.

Goal 2: Increase awareness of the dangers of drunk and drugged driving among youth.

Objective: By December 2005, the Montgomery County Youth Advisory Board will develop flyers, posters, fact sheets, and a press release for the 3-D Awareness Month.

Activities: On December 14, 2005, the Youth Advisory Board set up a display with Fatal Vision Goggles. Students were encouraged to walk the line with the fatal vision goggles on to experience the effects alcohol has on vision. Posters with use and abuse facts were made and displayed throughout the school prior to the event. Brochures were also made available to all students.

Goal 3: Increase awareness among youth about negative consequences of tobacco.

Objective: By April 2006, the Montgomery County Youth Advisory Board will develop brochures, flyers, fact sheets, and a press release for Kick Butts Day.

Objective: By April 2006, the Montgomery County Youth Advisory Board will conduct an activity at school to demonstrate tobacco's toll in Montgomery on Kick Butts Day.

Activities: On May 5, 2006, the YAB held a numbers campaign to create awareness on the number of Kentuckians that die each week related to tobacco. Members hung banners, posters and yard signs throughout the school and its grounds displaying "KY 147" (147 is the number of Kentuckians that die each week related to tobacco). Pencils, stickers, magnets and mints with the same message were also distributed throughout the day. The event wrapped with an afternoon skit performance on the announcements as well as an explanation on the number and its meaning.

#### Nicole Pennington

Awarded: \$1,660.67

Goal 1: By June 2006, to increase the importance of leading a tobacco free lifestyle.

Objective: By June 2006, a minimum of 750 students, athletes, cheerleaders, and spectators will make a commitment to lead a tobacco free lifestyle as evidenced by a signed pledge banner at various sporting events.

Objective: By June 2006, a minimum of 750 "tobacco prevention awareness" incentives will be distributed to athletes, cheerleaders, and spectators.

Activities: Both goal and objectives were met as evidenced by the commitment of athletes, cheerleaders, students, and spectators to lead a tobacco free lifestyle. Signatures were placed on large tobacco free pledge signs displayed in the gymnasiums. The tobacco free signs purchased along with tobacco free incentives. Everyone who made a commitment received either a bookmark, cd case, or water bottle to spread the message of the importance of leading a tobacco free lifestyle.

#### Morgan County High YSC Student Coalition

Awarded: \$1,364.00

Goal 1: To involve students in the process of developing and enforcing school policy regarding tobacco.

Objective: Tobacco violations will decrease as a result of student involvement.

Activities: Student members have researched existing school policies regarding tobacco in other school districts and also the recommendations for totally tobacco free campuses. This information has been discussed with the principal and administration and copies have been made available to them. The SBDM council has not adopted any changes to the policy at

this time. The student group feels that the recommendations for a totally tobacco free campus should be followed. The students will be meeting four times throughout the summer and also attending the Great Kids Summit. During this time, the students plan to informally meet with the school board members to discuss tobacco free campuses. The goal is to present to the school board in August the need for our campuses to be tobacco free. At this time, the schools have smoking areas for adults.

Objective: Students will take responsibility for their restrooms being smoke free and not being forced to breathe second hand smoke.

Activities: Student members targeted the two student restrooms during the Spring Semester. Statistics regarding the dangers of smoking and second hand smoke were hung on the inside of each of the stall doors and throughout the school. Although the posters hung throughout the school were not touched, the flyers in the bathrooms were torn down each day and were replaced by TAP members. This continued until the smokers realized that the students planned on replacing them each time they were removed. There has been an impact on the attitudes of other students regarding second hand smoke. More and more students that are not members of the TAP are stating to the smokers that they do not want the restrooms to be filled with smoke.

Goal 2: To decrease student substance abuse by mobilizing students in the effort to keep their peers safe and alive.

Objective: Students will meet at least monthly to organize committees and share information.

Objective: Students will become involved in local coalitions by appointing student representatives from the large group to attend meetings.

Activities: In January 2006, the Teen Action Project assisted in publicity for the UNITE organized March Against Drugs that was held at the Morgan County Community Center. The students assisted by publicizing the event at the high school through posters, announcement and word of mouth. This resulted in the largest teen attendance at a UNITE March in the area served by UNITE. Two students were chosen by the Teen Action Project to attend the substance abuse community groups each month. On the first Wednesday of each month, the co-presidents of TAP attend the ASAP Board meetings, the Champions Coalition meeting, and the UNITE coalition meeting. The students report on what is taking place each month in the high school regarding prevention. The students take the information from the meetings and report back to the entire Teen Action Project. Members of the Teen Action Project attended the HOT Youth Conference at Morehead State University in March. They received valuable information and training on advocacy related to tobacco prevention. The students coordinated a Kick Butts event at the high school in April. 148 pairs of shoes were lined along the sidewalk in front of the high school.

Signs were placed along the shoes highlighting the statistic of the number of Kentuckians that die as a result of tobacco. The students met before staff and students arrived at school and set the display up. The group received positive comments from teachers and students on this activity. Tobacco prevention posters were also hung throughout the school emphasizing Kick Butts Day along with cessation tips and resources. The Teen Action Project has met at least twice a month for the duration of the grant period. The group has four dates set to meet through the summer and will also attend a three day conference in Louisville where they will receive training in leadership skills and community involvement and network with other youth in the state. The group has also become involved in the planning of the "Safe Night", an annual event that takes place in West Liberty for kids of all ages. This event is held from 4-10pm on July 15 at the West Liberty City Park. Plans this year include a pool party, beach volleyball, a cook out and live music. A speaker will also be featured with a substance abuse prevention message. The group ended the school year by visiting the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms in the district and presenting a tobacco prevention program during the school day. The program consisted on pull out lessons from the "Here's Looking at You" 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade curricula. The program was praised by the teachers and students at all the elementary schools. 260 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students attended the program. The elementary students were also asked to make postcards for the junior and senior high school students. These postcards were miniature posters asking them to be safe on prom night. The postcards were displayed in the cafeteria area during prom.

#### West Carter County Champions YAB

Awarded: \$1,226.50

Goal 1: The West Carter County Youth Advisory Board will increase awareness about the effects of tobacco to restaurant owners in the Olive Hill area.

Objective: By December 2005, the West Carter Youth Advisory Board will contact and meet with eight restaurant owners to discuss the facts and dangers of tobacco smoke.

Objective: By December 2005, the West Carter County Youth Advisory Board will place signage, table tents, and other tobacco information in the restaurants.

Activities: These activities were completed in November 2005 and reported on the December progress report.

Goal 2: The West Carter County Champions Youth Advisory Board will increase awareness on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Objective: By February 28, 2006, the West Carter Youth Advisory Board will host a table in the school cafeteria asking students to pledge to be drug free for Valentine's Day.

Objective: By February 28, 2006, the West Carter Youth Advisory Board will create a pledge wall to help increase awareness.

Activities: On February 9 and 10, 2006, members of the West Carter County Youth Advisory Board hosted a table outside the Youth Service Center during lunch to ask to “save-a-sweetheart, save-a-friend, and/or save-yourself” from alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Members encouraged their peers to sign heart shaped pledge cards to stay drug free. All students who signed a pledge card received a raffle ticket to register to win a Valentine gift. Members created and hung Save-A-Sweetheart posters with drug facts throughout the school prior to the event.

Goal 3: The West Carter County Champions Youth Advisory Board will receive training on how to advocate for tobacco issues.

Objective: Twenty percent of the West Carter County Champions Youth Advisory Board will attend the Youth Tobacco Conference by April of 2006.

Objective: By May 2006, attendees of the Youth Tobacco Conference will train other members of the Youth Advisory Board who were unable to attend.

Activities: On March 2, 2006, 13 members (100%) of the West Carter Champions Youth Advisory Board participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual H.O.T. Youth Tobacco Conference. The agenda for the day included workshops on tobacco and advocacy, video production targeting policy change to legislators and/or school superintendents, and the day wrapped with a press conference. The conference provided an excellent training opportunity on the negative effects of tobacco, how to advocate for policy change related to tobacco and how to get the media to cover events.

**Region 12: Kentucky River Community Care Regional Prevention Center**

Buckhorn High School BAD Club

Awarded: \$1,364.00

No final report submitted!

Perry County Central High School CASA Club

Awarded: \$1,815.00

No final report submitted!

Owsley County High School FASA

Awarded: \$1,694.00

No final report submitted!

Knott County Central High

Awarded: \$1,413.50

No final report submitted!

## **Region 14: The Adanta Group Regional Prevention Center**

### **KY Hot Shots and Campbellsville/Taylor**

Awarded: \$1,639.00

Goal 1: To decrease the number of underage alcohol use by Taylor County and surrounding area residents.

Objective: By April of 2006, the Kentucky Hot Shots traveling softball team will distribute 3,000 schedules to local youth baseball leagues including but not limited to T-ball, Pee Wee, Little League, Minor League and each girls' softball league ages 6 to 17 years old. Schedules will display local KIP school data and will be distributed on opening day.

Activities: Local data was printed on all boys and girls sports schedules and distributed on opening day.

Objective: By April of 2006, the Kentucky Hot Shots and their parents will distribute 100 alcohol related brochures to parents of ball players during opening day of little league baseball and girls' softball season.

Activities: Brochures were distributed to some of the parents and the remaining is displayed at the concession stand.

Objective: By April of 2006, the Kentucky Hot Shots website developer will display their drug free initiative on their website promoting the Coalition's mission and vision. The website is [www.kyhotshots.com](http://www.kyhotshots.com).

Activities: The girls' softball team changed their team name. Therefore, a new website has been developed with a link to the coalition; [www.kyimpact.com](http://www.kyimpact.com).

Objective: By April of 2006, the Hot Shots will display a banner promoting healthy, drug-free athletes at all 2006 softball tournaments, local and statewide, and will continue to display the banner extending beyond the funding period.

Activities: The banner has not been purchased as of the reporting period.

Objective: By April of 2006, the Hot Shots and their parents will encourage signed drug free pledges by promoting, passing out and collecting 500 signed pledges during the 2006 season.

Activities: Approximately 75 cards and brochures were distributed by the girls' softball team during a 2-day Tennessee tournament.

Objective: By April of 2006, the Hot Shots will write and publish a letter to the editor in Central KY News Journal, encouraging Taylor County youth to maintain a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

Activities: The activity will be completed during the month of June.

### **Russell County Middle School**

Awarded: \$1,639.00

Goal 1: The RCMS Drug-Free Student Council will develop a media campaign for middle and elementary students that will decrease favorable attitudes towards drug use in an effort to reduce youth substance abuse.

Objective: By October of 2005, each council member will develop their personal anti-drug trading cards for distribution.

Activities: Each council member developed a motto and chose a picture that showed them doing their anti-drug. For example, some students said that basketball was their anti-drug. Their message says, "The last time I took a shot, it was a 3-pointer." The card would have a picture showing them shooting baskets or holding a basketball. 31 council members participated in this project and completed the trading card activity. This was not completed, however, until the end of April.

Objective: By May of 2006, the Drug-Free Student Council members will distribute 3,700 cards with their personal anti-drug message to middle and elementary school students which will facilitate the message of their commitment to stay drug-free throughout the course of the year.

Activities: Because of our late start, as noted in our first progress report, we have had difficulty reaching this objective. We were unable to get the cards ready for printing and then printed until late April.. By this time, the schools could not be scheduled for presentations because of the numerous end-of-the-year field trips. In addition, our council members had their own field trips scheduled. We have had to come up with a different plan for distribution. There is a summer day camp that we have arranged for our students to visit and present and distribute their cards. We have also arranged for the local newspaper to print the cards for county-wide distribution. We are hopeful to begin distribution in the fall at the elementary and middle school.

#### Campbellsville/Taylor Coalition and TC Middle

Awarded: \$946.00

Goal 1: To increase the knowledge of school age youth of Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By October of 2005, four members of the TCDMS Drug Free Club will write letters to the editor of Central Kentucky News Journal urging the community to support Red Ribbon Week, focusing on health and safety issues surrounding alcohol and other drug use. The Central Kentucky News-Journal will publish a letter weekly through the month of October.

Activities: The drug free club submitted four letters, however the Central Kentucky News-Journal only printed one during the month of October.

Objective: By October of 2005, the TCMS Drug Free Club will assist in passing out buttons containing a drug free message to wear during Red Ribbon Week. The drug free club participants will also assist in passing out drug free message lollipops.

Activities: The drug free club assisted in passing out buttons and lollipops to Taylor County Middle School students during Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By October of 2005, the TCMS Drug Free Club will display posters in the hallways promoting Red Ribbon Week and regarding the dangers and consequences of ATOD use and abuse.

Activities: On October 21, 2005 at 7:20am, the drug free club met to organize the display of seventeen posters in the hallways for all TCMS students to view during Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By October of 2005, Taylor County Middle School will participate in "Wear Red Day" and the Drug Free Club leaders will receive t-shirts for participating that will allow them to be distinguished from their peers.

Activities: On October 27, 2005, the drug free club had "Wear Red Day" where all of the student body wore red to promote Red Ribbon Week. The t-shirts were cut from the middle school budget, however, the Youth Service Center was able to purchase the t-shirts from their budget.

Objective: By October of 2005, the TCMS Drug Free Club will collaborate with the Campbellsville/Taylor County Anti-Drug Coalition in hosting an assembly during Red Ribbon Week for Taylor County Middle School.

Activities: The assembly was cut from the middle school budget, however, Miss Taylor County was able to come and speak to the entire middle school on personal experiences with the loss of her best friend due to drinking and driving.

Objective: By October of 2005, the TCMS Drug Free Club participants will receive Red Ribbon pledge cards for participating in Red Ribbon Week and asked to pledge to stay drug free.

Activities: The drug free club members received pledge cards for participating in Red Ribbon Week and were asked to sign them pledging to stay drug free.

#### Green County SOS Club

Awarded: \$1,628.00

Goal 1: To expose Green County High School students to a multitude of drug prevention activities at regular intervals during the school year and to increase community involvement in drug prevention activities.

Objective: Increase prevention activities of the S.O.S. club by 60% in 2005-2006.

Activities: S.O.S. club members participated in Red Ribbon Week activities, the Community Drug Rally, Project Prom, and the mock car wreck before prom.

Objective: By 2005-2006, the S.O.S. club will have increased community awareness and participation by 20%.

Activities: All S.O.S. activities were published in the local newspaper and several events were advertised on the radio. The community was very responsive to the Rally and to Project Prom.

Campbellsville/Taylor Coalition and TC High

Awarded: \$968.00

Goal 1: To increase the knowledge of school age youth during Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By March of 2006, members of the Taylor County SADD Club will tour the Marion County Detention Center in Lebanon, Kentucky to learn the consequences of bad choices.

Activities: Members of the drug free club toured Marion Detention Center on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006.

Campbellsville/Taylor Coalition and CHS SADD

Awarded: \$1,188.00

Goal 1: To increase the knowledge of school age youth on Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By October of 2005, members of the CHS SADD Club will tour the Marion County Detention Center in Lebanon, Kentucky.

Activities: Members of the drug free club toured Marion Detention Center on March 23, 2006. With remaining meeting expenses, the CHS SADD Club purchased refreshments for participants of Ghost Out, a pre-prom prevention assembly.

Campbellsville/Taylor Coalition and Eagle Express

Awarded: \$1,243.00

Goal: To increase the knowledge of the general population on alcohol and other drug use and abuse during Red Ribbon Week.

Objective: By March of 2006, Eagle Express participants will display 10 alcohol and other drug related posters/brochures in the Middle School hallway.

Activities: A brochure rack was purchased to display brochures in the hallway. With the remaining money, gift cards were purchased to continue providing refreshments and meeting expenses for the remaining drug free club meetings.

## **Region 15: Bluegrass Regional Prevention Center**

### Mercer County YSC

Awarded: \$709.37

Goal 1: Increase student awareness about the dangers of teen drinking.

Objective: Peer Mentoring Group

Activities: we met this objective by having meetings between the Mercer County High School mentors and the King Middle School mentees. We met on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30. The meeting dates were 2/22, 3.8, 4/19 and 5/3/06.

Objective: Essay and Poetry Contest.

Activities: This goal was not met due to decreased funding.

Objective: Dangers of Alcohol display and pledge cards.

Activities: We have just received the Alcohol display. It has been on back order for several weeks. The positive side is that we can use it over and over for programming related to alcohol issues.

Objective: Students will view the DVD "The Truth About Teen Alcohol Use."

Activities: We plan on reviewing this video on Wednesday, May 17, 2006. It will also become a resource for the Youth Service Center in years to come.

Objective: 85% of Mercer County High School students will attend a MADD school-wide assembly.

Activities: We met this objective through sponsorship from Daimler/Chrysler Corporation. The students truly enjoyed the assembly entitled "The Spot". It was created like an MTV video with current rock stars and celebrities giving anti-drinking and drug messages. All of our sophomores, juniors and seniors were in attendance. The staff were amazed at how the students paid attention to the program.

### Berea Community Middle/High

Awarded: \$1,529.00

Goal 1: To increase awareness of MS/HS youth regarding the dangers of using drugs/alcohol.

Objective: Train/utilize the MS/HS Youth Safety Corp leadership groups to assist in implementing a month-long campaign for drug/alcohol awareness which will end with Red Ribbon Week celebrations.

Activities: The MS and HS YSC Corp groups met seven Fridays in September and October before Red Ribbon Week to plan and train for the planned campaign. During this planning/training time, students looked up facts and fiction regarding drugs and alcohol. They also met with the Guidance Counselors, who gave them additional training on the various

dangers of drugs and alcohol. Students designed cards stating the fact and fiction statements and adhered them to hand-made tie-dyed socks. These socks were hung up around the school hallways, classrooms, toilets, gym circle and lunchroom. Students planned an assembly for the MS/HS students and invited a panel to address student questions. Students also cut ribbons for placement on student car antennas. Instead of a poster contest, students decided to create posters and put them around the hallways along with the socks. Students are currently planning the next Red Ribbon Week for the fall and are ordering materials for this program.

Objective: By the end of October, all MS/HS students will have participated in activities and assemblies designed to increase their awareness of the dangers of using drugs and alcohol.

Activities: During the week of October 24-28, approximately 550 MS/HS students were participants in the Red Ribbon activities planned by the YSC Corp Clubs. 265 MS Students attended an assembly that included Miss Kentucky on October 27 as she spoke against tobacco and substance abuse. These middle school students had the opportunity to ask questions of a panel of professionals (school nurse, MS Guidance Counselor, School Resource Officer, Miss Kentucky, MS/HS Health teacher). There was quite a bit of interaction and a lot of thought-provoking questions. The HS Media Class utilized this opportunity to tape an interview with Miss Kentucky, ask about her platform and to create a TV taping. This taping was broadcast to the entire High School and to the community of Berea through the local cable channel. 174 MS students signed a banner pledging to not participate in substance use and abuse. 89 student cars and 103 faculty/staff had red ribbons tied onto their antennas for Red Ribbon Week Recognition. All High School students received information on the dangers of substance abuse and its relation to date rape and other kinds of sexual assault on March 30. Informational pamphlets were handed out, as well as quizzes, pencils, candy, etc while students interacted with Rape Crisis Center personnel.

Objective: Develop faculty and staff mission statement and procure other students' involvement and to develop long term goals and objectives. Objectives will also include club development and establishing collaboration amongst existing school clubs.

Activities: The Youth Safety Corps Clubs have met twice in January to plan for the next step of developing long-term goals and objectives. The HS Club is working to establish more collaboration with other exiting clubs by including them in their work to produce the Ghost Out which will be held in March. HS student clubs and teams will be encouraged to create their own 30-second PSA regarding substance abuse and impaired driving. The YSC Corp group is in the process of finding guidelines for the students to follow. They hope to utilize the Bluegrass Prevention Specialist in helping them set this contest up, similar to the Keep It Real

Contest. The Future Educators Club will be involved in promoting the YSC Corp work on March 31<sup>st</sup>. The MS Youth Safety Corp have met three times and are developing ideas for 30 second PSA's, as well. They have opened their club up to other members of the school and plan on meeting every Friday morning before school starts. Extra meeting times will be set in order to create the PSAs. The MS Youth Safety Corp has continued to meet weekly on Friday AM and the HS youth Safety Corp has continued to meet once a month during Academic Enrichment Day during the school day. A mission statement has not yet been developed, however, the HS students have decided to continue meeting this summer to develop a mission statement, along with the creation of draft policies on random drug testing to present to the Superintendent and the School Board for consideration. The Future Educators Club, The Future Business Leaders Club, The FCCLA club, the HS Student Council, the English Department staff and the Youth Safety Corp students collaborated with the KY Dept of Transportation, Berea City Police, Les Roll at Bluegrass Prevention, ECU Nursing Students, Madison County Safety Coalition, Madison County Health Department and the Madison County Coroner's Office to present the GHOST OUT program to all of our HS students on March 31. Three students attended the Underage Drinking Symposium in Frankfort in February, while four other students attended the National Drug Testing Summit in Louisville. Teacher sponsors, FRYSC Director, Assistant Principal and the Superintendent also attended these conferences. Four students attended the Operation UNITE training in Somerset in April regarding how to further develop and coordinate youth student advocacy groups against substance abuse. 234 students signed a banner and also signed pledge cards (to keep in their wallets) that they would not drive while impaired. Wallet Cards were also made that stated the numbers of taxis and other assistance numbers (ie-counseling, taxi's, etc).